



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Isherwood, et al. :
Serial No.: 09/971,093 : Attorney Docket No. 52555-5015
Filed: October 4, 2001 :
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR :
DIRECTING END USER TO SELECTED :
NETWORK LOCATION OF PROVIDER :
BASED ON USER-PROVIDED CODES :

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application prior to the examination thereof as follows:

On page 1, before the first full paragraph, please insert the following paragraph:

This application claims priority to United States Provisional Application No. 60/252,906 filed November 27, 2000 and is a continuation-in-part of United States Patent Application Nos. 09/236,176 filed January 25, 1999, 09/310,355 filed May 12, 1999, and 09/951,361 filed September 13, 2001.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments in connection with this submission to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed.

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